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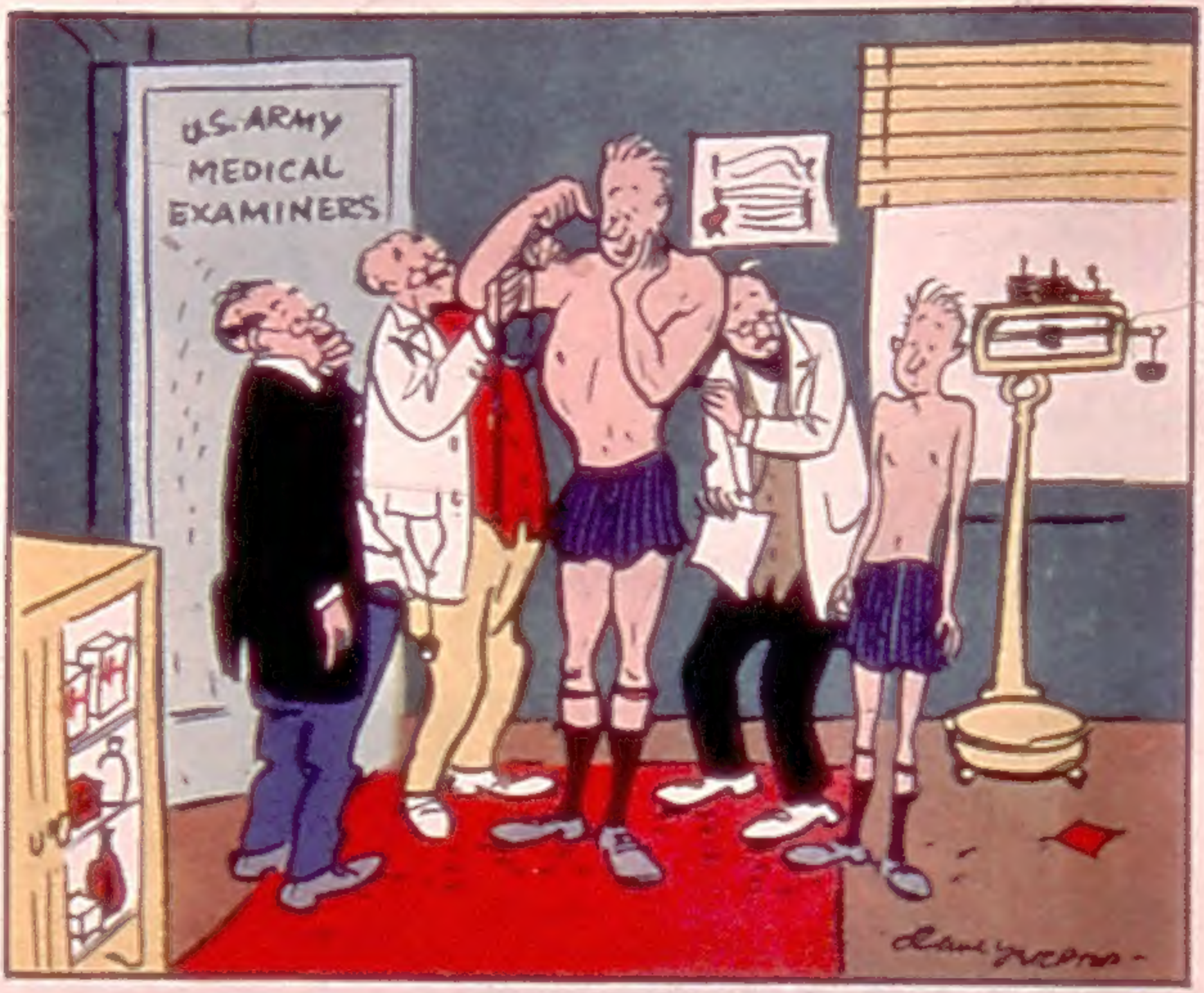

"Oh he's my twin brother all right. But, confidentially, I've been swiping his Wheaties all these years."

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MARY MARVEL visits A WASTE PAPER RECLAIMING FACTORY!

THERE GOES THE WASTE PAPER THAT MARY U.S. BOYS AND GIRLS COLLECTED AND TURNED IN TO THEIR LOCAL PAPER SALVAGE DEPOT!
HERE THE PROCESS OF TREATING SALVAGED PAPER STARTS. THIS VAT IS CALLED THE "BEATER" IT CONTAINS A HOT SOLUTION OF CHEMICALS AND IS EQUIPPED WITH A SERIES OF KNIVES THAT REDUCES THE PAPER INTO PULP FORM.
FROM THE "BEATER" THE PULP PASSES THROUGH HERE ON ITS WAY TO SCREENS THAT FILTER OUT ALL FOREIGN MATTER
THERE ARE 144 ROLLERS OF THIS TYPE THROUGH WHICH THE PULP PASSES TO BE DRIED. IT TAKES FROM ONE TO TWO HOURS FOR THIS WATER-ELIMINATION PROCESS.
THIS IS THE END OF THE ROLLER LINE. CLEAN NEW PAPER AND PAPER-BOARD IS NOW READY FOR CUTTING.... PAPER MADE AVAILABLE THROUGH THE EFFORTS OF PATRIOTIC AMERICAN CITIZENS WHO SAVED THEIR NEWSPAPERS, MAGAZINES, CARTONS AND ALL OTHER TYPES OF WASTE PAPER.
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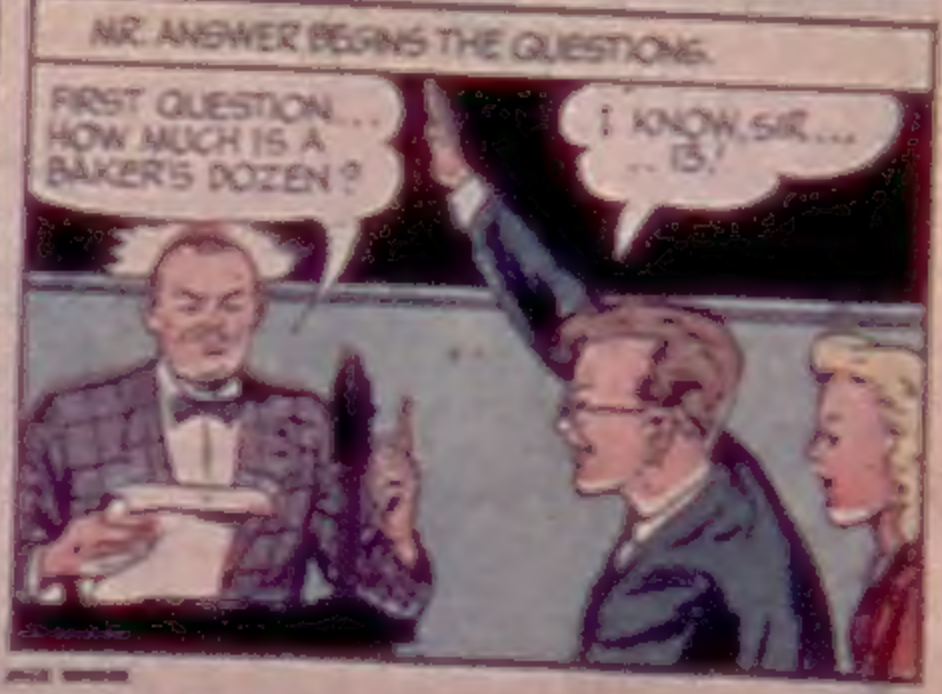
MARY MARVEL

AT A RADIO STUDIO, A WELL-KNOWN PROGRAM GETS UNDER WAY..... THE WHIZ KIDS!

TWO OF THE GUEST WHIZ KIDS ARE NONE OTHER THAN MARY BATSON AND MR. SCARLET'S YOUNG CRIME-FIGHTING AIDE..... PINKY!

MR. SCARLET GAVE ME THE NIGHT OFF, SO I ACCEPTED MR. ANSWER'S INVITATION.
ME TOO. I THINK THIS IS FUN FOR A CHANGE. INSTEAD OF DOING OUR... OTHER... ER... WORK!

MR. ANSWER BEGINS THE QUESTIONS.



ON THE QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS GO, BUT LATER MR. ANSWER FINDS A STRANGE QUESTION AMONG HIS LIST FROM THE PUBLIC!

HMM! THIS SEEMS TO BE A HYPOTHETICAL CRIME PROBLEM!

PASS IT ALONG, TILL ONE OF YOU GETS THE ANSWER TO THIS QUEER QUESTION.

QUIZ KIDS

NOTICE TO BURGLARS — IF YOU OPEN ONE OF THESE SAFES, A HARMFUL GAS WILL SHOOT OUT. THE OTHER ONE CONTAINS MY MONEY! ROB ME, IF YOU DARE!

Here could a burglar make this decision, Mr. Question?

A TOUGH QUESTION INDEED! IF YOU WERE THE BURGLAR KIDS, HOW WOULD YOU FIGURE OUT WHICH SAFE HAD THE MONEY IN IT?

HOLY SMOKE! WHAT A BRAIN TEASER!

BUT MARY BATSON GIVES THE ANSWER.

IF I WERE A BURGLAR, I'D WEAR A GAS MASK... AND OPEN BOTH!

NICE GOING, MARY!

SPLENDID, MARY! AND THAT CONCLUDES OUR PROGRAM FOR TONIGHT!

AS MARY AND PINKY WALK HOME TOGETHER.....

MR. QUESTION, WHOEVER HE IS, SURE PICKED A TRICKY PROBLEM!

YEAH! SOME BURGLAR COULD ROB A PLACE LIKE THAT, IF IT EXISTED!

GIRLS, HAVE YOU NOTICED MARY'S CUTE NEW DRESS? YOU'LL KNOW MORE ABOUT THIS DRESS IF YOU'LL TURN TO THE PAGE THAT FOLLOWS THE END OF THIS STORY.

HEY, WAIT! THERE IS SUCH A PLACE! I JUST REMEMBERED READING OF IT... THE HOME OF AN ECCENTRIC OLD MISER, JOHN PINCHDIME!

I MAY BE WRONG, BUT I THINK WE'D BETTER LOOK INTO THIS, MARY!

RIGHT, PINKY! SHAZAM!

WHENEVER MARY BATSON SAYS "SHAZAM" THE NAME OF AN OLD WIZARD MAGIC LIGHTNING AND THUNDER STRIKES ... CHANGING MARY BATSON INTO MARY MARVEL

BOOM

THE WORLD'S MIGHTIEST GIRL WHO IS IMPERVIOUS TO PHYSICAL DANGER AND IS ABLE TO FLY! PINKY ALSO MAKES A CHANGE AND NOW APPEARS AS PINKY CRIMSON CRUSADER OF JUSTICE!

YOU THINK THEN---?

YES! THAT THIS MR. QUESTION MIGHT BE A REAL BURGLAR WHO WANTED THE ANSWER HOW TO PULL THIS CRIME JOB! LET'S GO! IT'S ACROSS TOWN!

WHY NOT FLY?

G-GULP! I'M NOT USED TO THIS!

LATER, AT THE HOME OF JOHN PINCHOME ....

HSST! PINCHOME HAS THOSE TWO SAFES IN THIS ROOM!

MEANWHILE, INSIDE ....

HA, HA, HA! THOSE BRAINY KIDS GAVE JUST THE ANSWER I NEEDED OVER THE RADIO!

?

ALL I DO IS WEAR THIS GAS-MASK AND NO MATTER WHICH SAFE I OPEN FIRST, THE GAS WON'T HARM ME! HA, HA!

I'LL BE...? JUST BECAUSE I'M WEARING THE GAS-MASK, I HIT THE RIGHT SAFE RIGHT AWAY! AHHH...THE MONEY!

NAUGHTY! NAUGHTY!

WHA...? WHO'S THAT?

JUST ME AND FIVE KNUCKLES ITCHING TO MEET YOU!

YOU CAN'T MONKEY WITH MR. QUESTION, BRAT! QUESTION.....WHAT HAPPENS WHEN YOU DO?

YOU GET A HEADACHE!

UGH!

BUT MARY MARVEL WHO POSSESSES UNSURPASSABLE STRENGTH GOES INTO ACTION.

I HAVE A QUESTION, CHUM....DO YOU SURRENDER?

OOP! MARY MARVEL TOO!

LADIES FIRST! GO TO IT, MARY!

I'LL LEAVE SOME WORK FOR YOU, PINKY!

BUT THE WILY MR. QUESTION DASHES TO THE SECOND SAFE AND...

HERE'S THE GAS FOR YOU BRATS! I HAVE A GAS-MASK. HA HA HA!

GASP! CHOKE! CAN'T BREATHE!

THIS GAS CAN'T HARM ME. BUT PINKY... I'VE GOT TO SAVE HIM!

MR. QUESTION MAKES HIS ESCAPE INTO CLEAR AIR!

HA HA! QUESTION... CAN EVEN MARY MARVEL AND PINKY STOP ME? ANSWER... NO!

AROUSED BY THE NOISE, JOHN PINCHDIME COMES FROM BED!

WHAT'S GOING ON HERE? WHY ARE ALL THE WINDOWS OPENED... MY MONEY! IT'S GONE!... MY WONDERFUL MONEY!

WE HAD TO OPEN THE WINDOWS, SIR TO CLEAR THE AIR OF GAS!

BURGLARS! OF THESE A HARMFUL GOT OUT! THE CONTAINS MY IF YOU

GROAN! I THOUGHT MY SYSTEM WAS BURGLAR-PROOF! HOW COULD A BURGLAR GET AWAY WITH IT?

I'M AFRAID SIR, THAT THE WHIZ KIDS MADE IT POSSIBLE!

THE IRONY OF IT IS THAT I HELPED MR. QUESTION ROB THE PLACE! WE'VE GOT TO TRAP HIM SOMEHOW!

HE CERTAINLY IS A SLICK CUSTOMER!

MAYBE HE'LL SEND ANOTHER CRIME QUESTION TO THE WHIZ KIDS!

THAT'S WHAT I'M HOPING FOR PINKY! MEAN-WHILE I BETTER CHANGE BACK TO MAD BATSON! SHAZAM!

MARY'S MAGIC WORD IS COMPRISED OF THE FIRST LETTERS OF SIX GODDESSES

SELENA
HIPPOLYTA
ARIADNE
ZEPHYRUM
AURORA
MINERVA

MARY AND PINKY CHANGE BACK TO THEIR NORMAL SELVES AND SEPARATE.

SEE YOU AT THE WHIZ KID'S PROGRAM TOMORROW!

RIGHT, MARY! GOOD NIGHT!

THE NEXT EVENING AT THE WHIZ KID PROGRAM....

AND NOW, ANOTHER FASCINATING PROBLEM FROM MR. QUESTION!

PSST! HERE IT IS, MARY!

HOW COULD SPIFFANY'S JEWEL SHOP BE ROBBED, WHEN IT'S COMPLETELY WIRED WITH BURGLAR ALARMS?

THAT'S SIMPLE! SET OFF THE ALARM, THEN WALK IN DISGUISED AS A POLICEMAN!

LATER, OUTSIDE....

MR. QUESTION MUST HAVE LISTENED OVER THE RADIO! HE'LL TRY THE JOB TONIGHT!

THIS TIME WE'LL BE SURE TO GET HIM! SHAZAM!

BOOM

MARY MARVEL ONCE MORE PLIES PINKY TO THE SCENE OF THE NEXT QUESTION-AND-ANSWER CRIME!

SPIFFANY'S IS OVER THIS WAY!

WHEEE! I'M BEGINNING TO LIKE THIS FLYING BUSINESS! DOGGONE, WHY CAN'T MR. SCARLET FLY ME AROUND LIKE THIS?

PSST! THERE'S MR. QUESTION NOW!

LET'S WAIT AND GET HIM IN THE ACT!

HA HA! THE WHIZ KIDS ONCE MORE GAVE ME THE PERFECT WAY TO ROB THIS PLACE! FIRST, I SET OFF THE BURGLAR-ALARM....

CLANG!

CLANG!

NOW I SLIP INTO THIS COP'S OUTFIT!

CLANG!

CLANG!

THE BURGLAR-ALARM! SOMEONE IS TRYING TO ROB SPIFFANY'S!

BACK, EVERYBODY! LET THE LAW TAKE CARE OF THIS!

CLANG!

CLANG!

CLANG!

HA HA HA! THEY THINK I'M A COP SO THEY LET ME SHOOT OPEN THE DOOR!

NOW TO STUFF MY POCKETS WITH JEWELS... AND SCRAM OUT THE BACK WAY! HA HA HA! THIS IS ALL SO EASY... THANKS TO THE WHIZ KIDS!

OH, MR. QUESTION! WHO'S GOING TO HIT YOU?

UGH! MARY MARVEL!

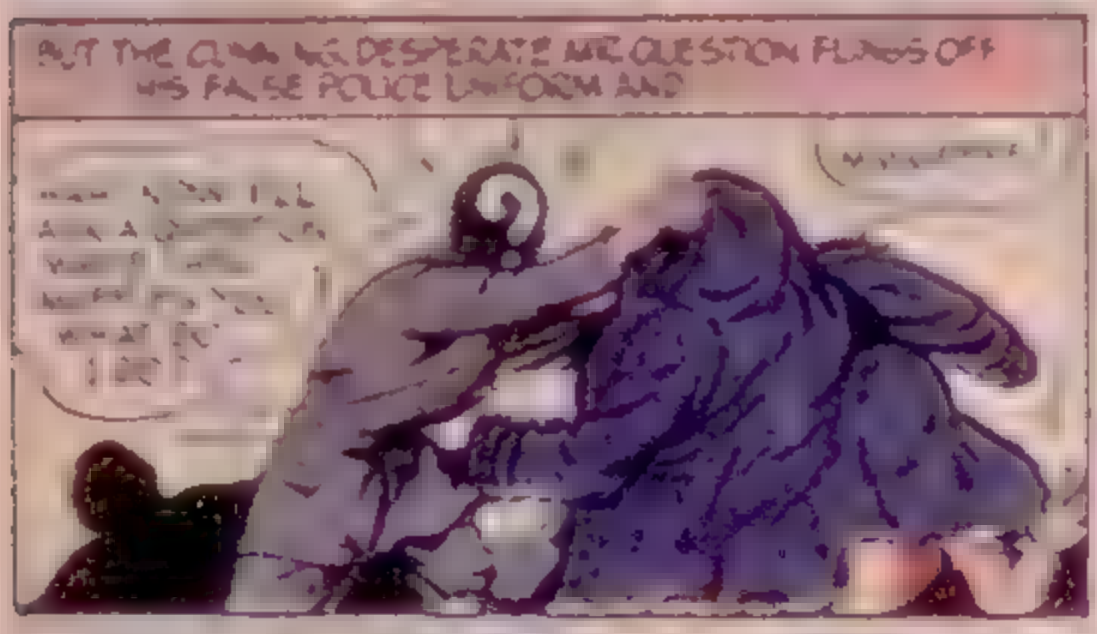
RIGHT! NOW WHO'S GOING TO HIT YOU?

AND PINKY... ER—

RIGHT AGAIN! YOU'RE BRILLIANT, MR. QUESTION!

NOW THE SIXTY-FOUR DOLLAR QUESTION... WHAT ARE WE GOING TO DO NEXT?

NO... NO! NOT BOTH OF YOU AT ONCE!


BUT THE CLEVER BUT DESPERATE MR. QUESTION PLUNGES OFF HIS FALSE POLICE UNIFORM AND

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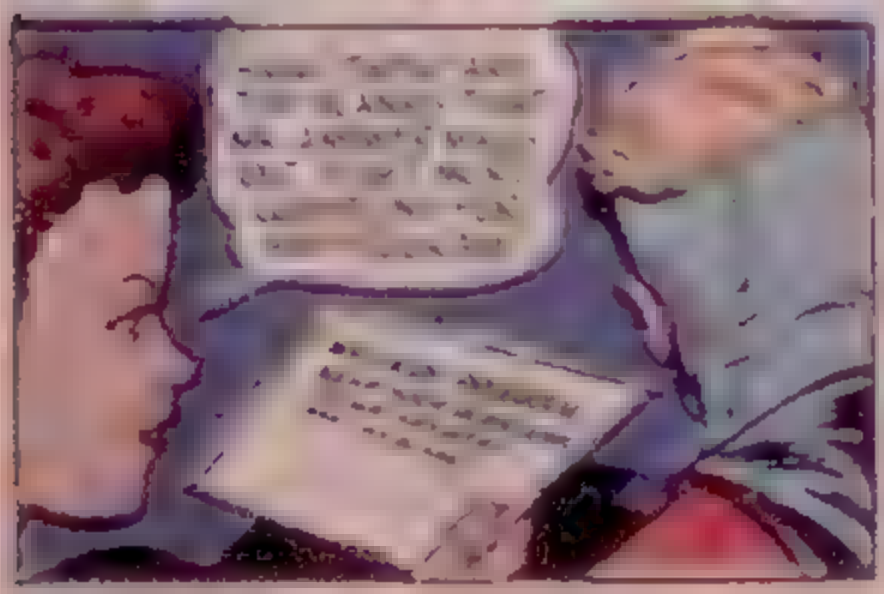

WHO IS HER QUESTION?

THAT

SHAZAM!

MARY

MARY!

HER ANSWER IS HER QUESTION

BEAUTY!

MARY MARVEL

SECRET KIT TO [illegible] YOUR

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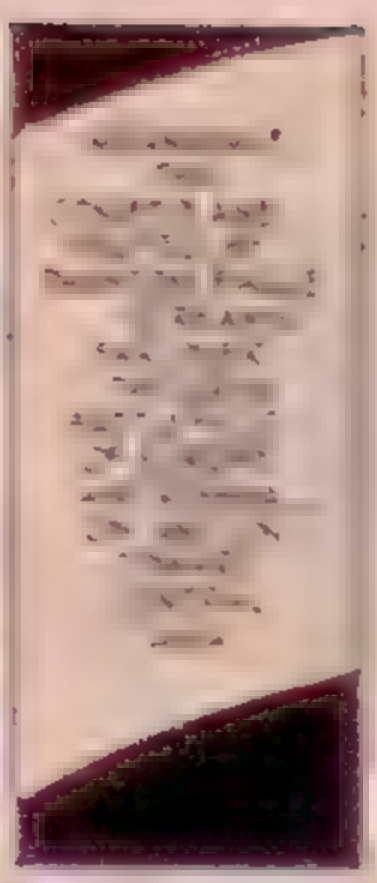
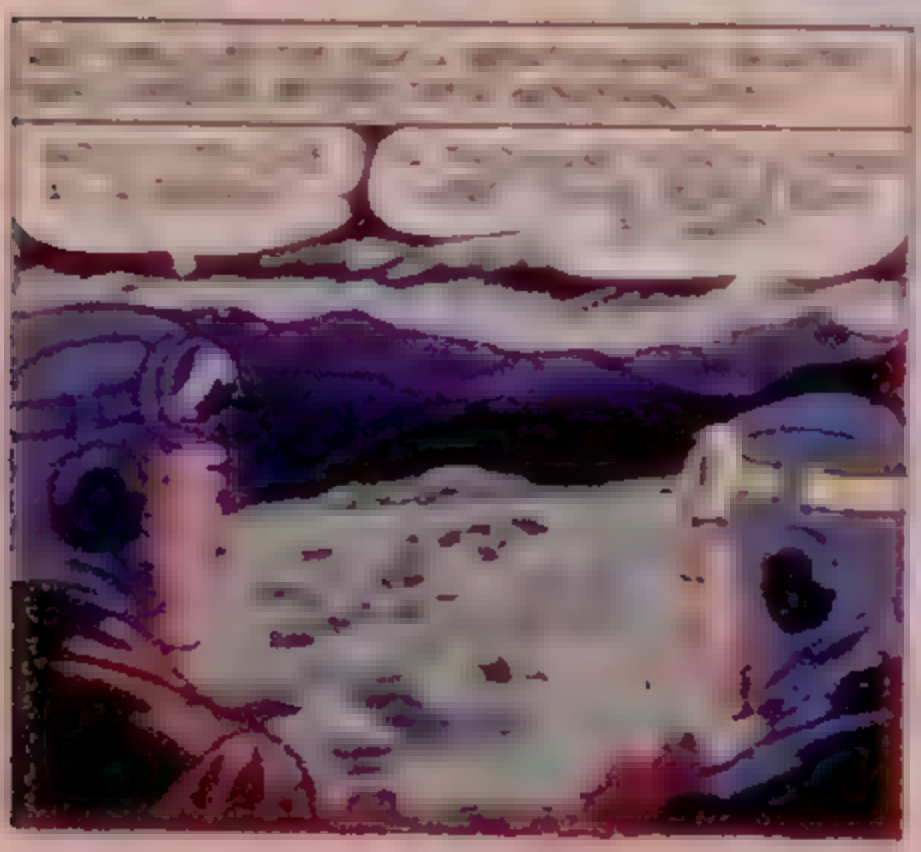
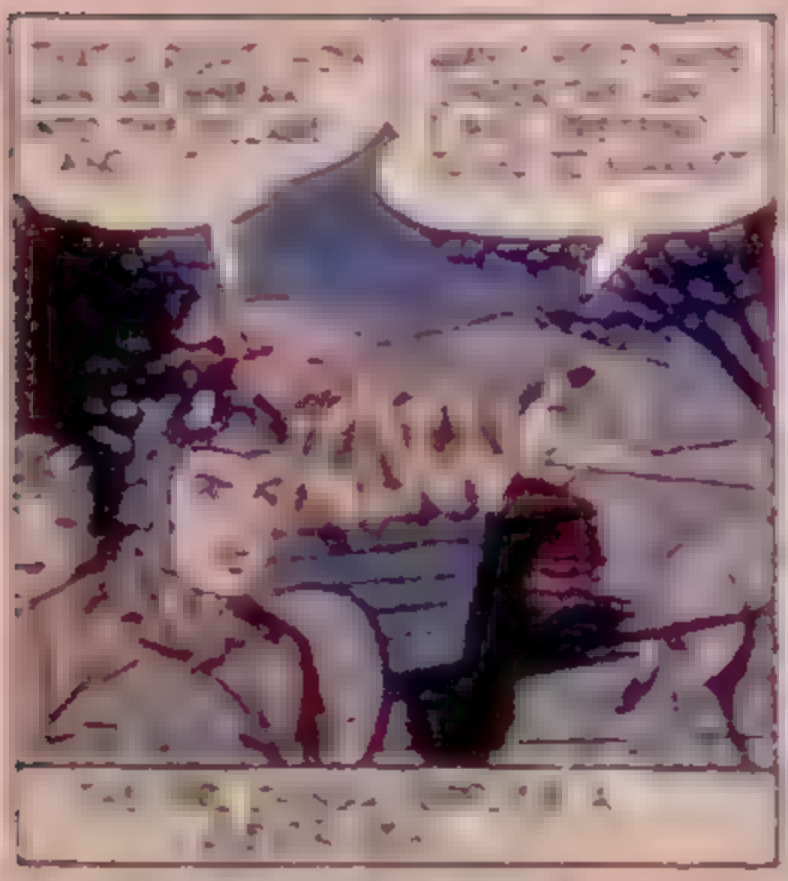
TROUBLE IN TIBET!







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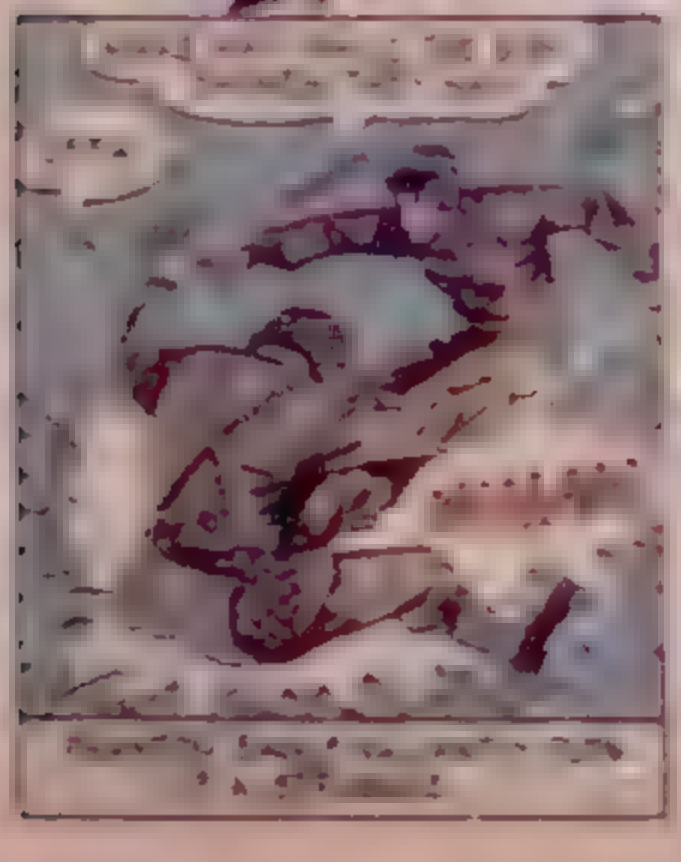

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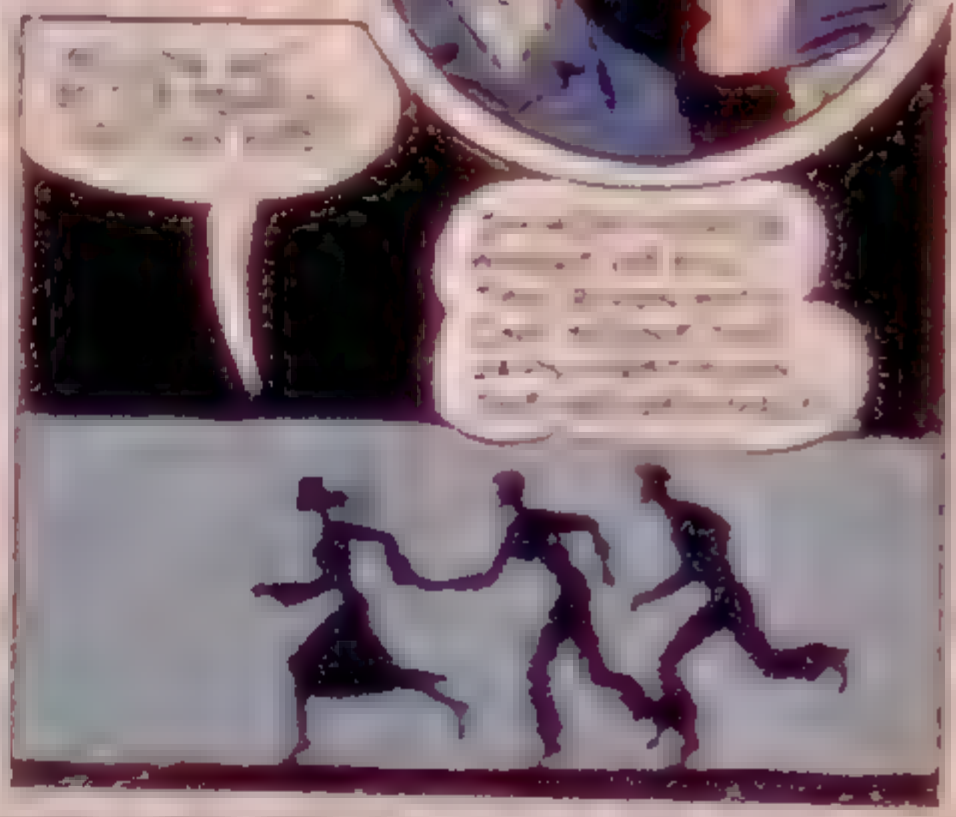

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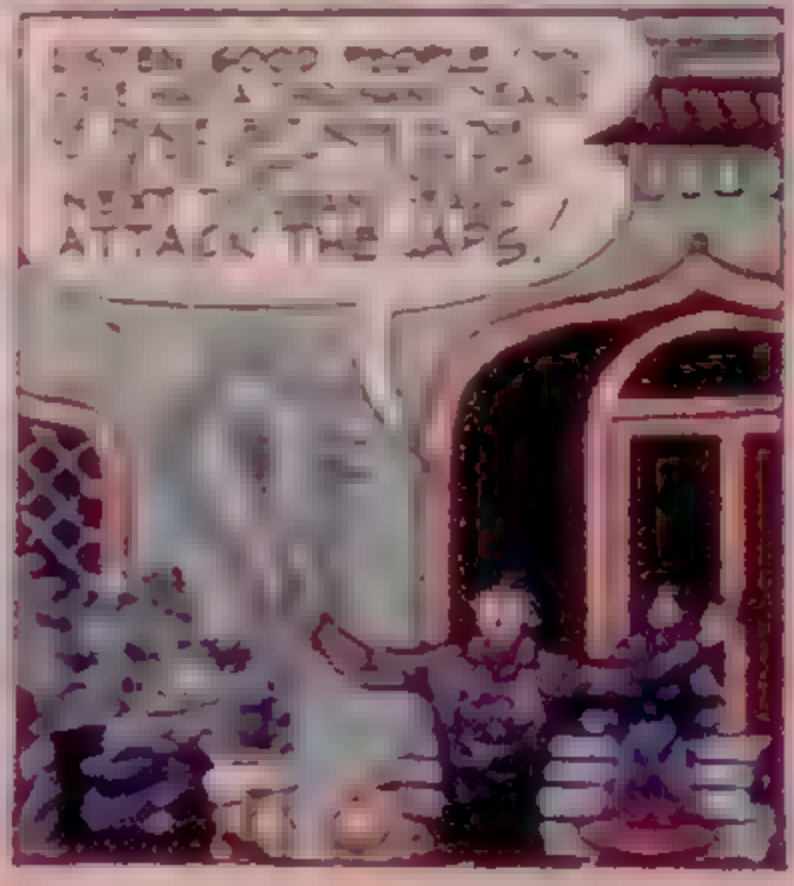
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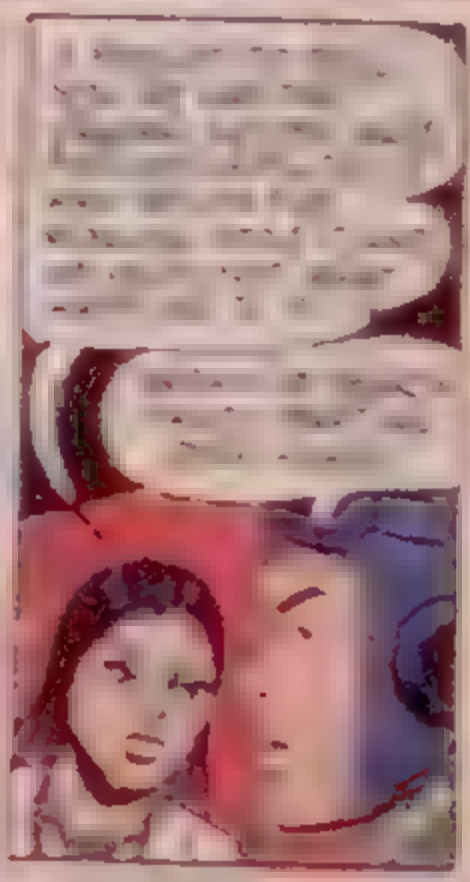

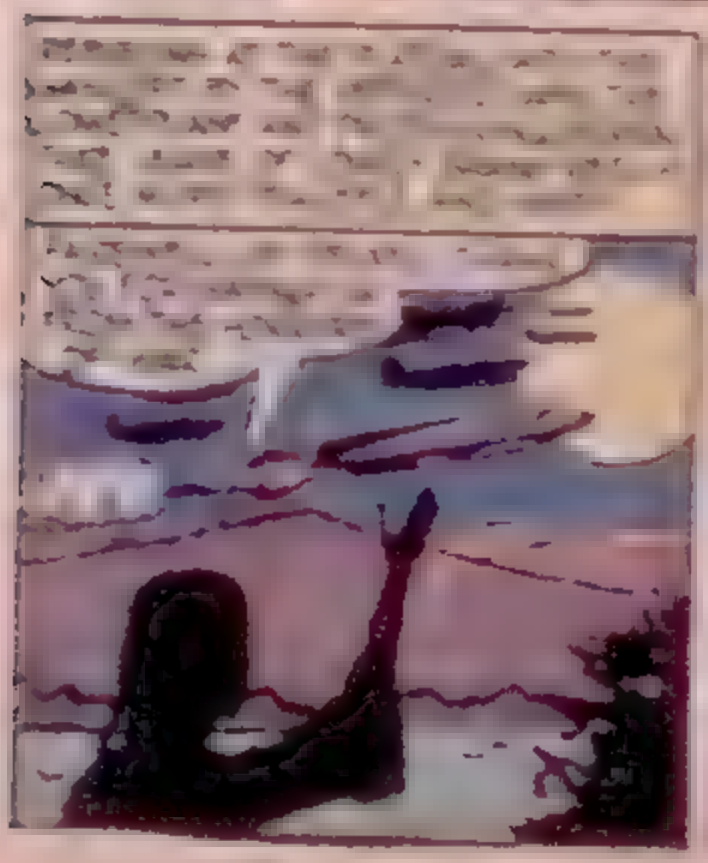

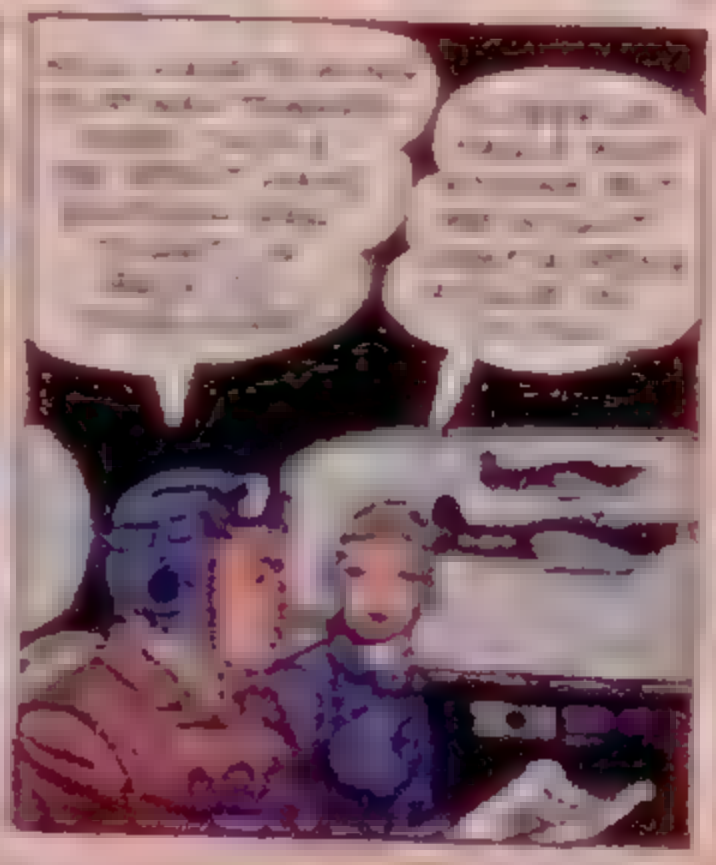

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A PENNY GRAVES STORY

The Adventures of an American WAC Overseas!

Penny [illegible] saw the Man in the Black Hat as she left the Bermuda Empire building in London.

His hat was an ordinary [illegible] but it was black, with a brim a trifle narrower than most men's hats, the crown a trifle higher.

The moment he saw Penny he turned and hurried out of sight around the corner.

Penny would have forgotten the Black Hat as instantly as she forgot her latest evening garment. But when she got back to her hotel, she suddenly saw, two seats ahead of her, a man wearing an identical black hat.

[illegible] had carefully memorized with the knowledge that in a few hours she would be on a plane, starting the first leg of her journey.

Penny [illegible] a few hours before dinner in Lisbon. She ate alone in the big mirrored dining room of the hotel.

It was absolutely essential [illegible]

[illegible] an elderly woman met in the [illegible]

Then he turned abruptly and walked out of the room.

Afterward, Penny couldn't remember what his face was like, but she would never forget his eyes, with their metallic, cruel glitter.

AT CAIRO, as she stood off from the others, drinking in the elegant grace of the [illegible] toward her moving with alarming speed.

Penny threw herself violently out of the way. The [illegible] as it hurtled past. Penny lay [illegible]

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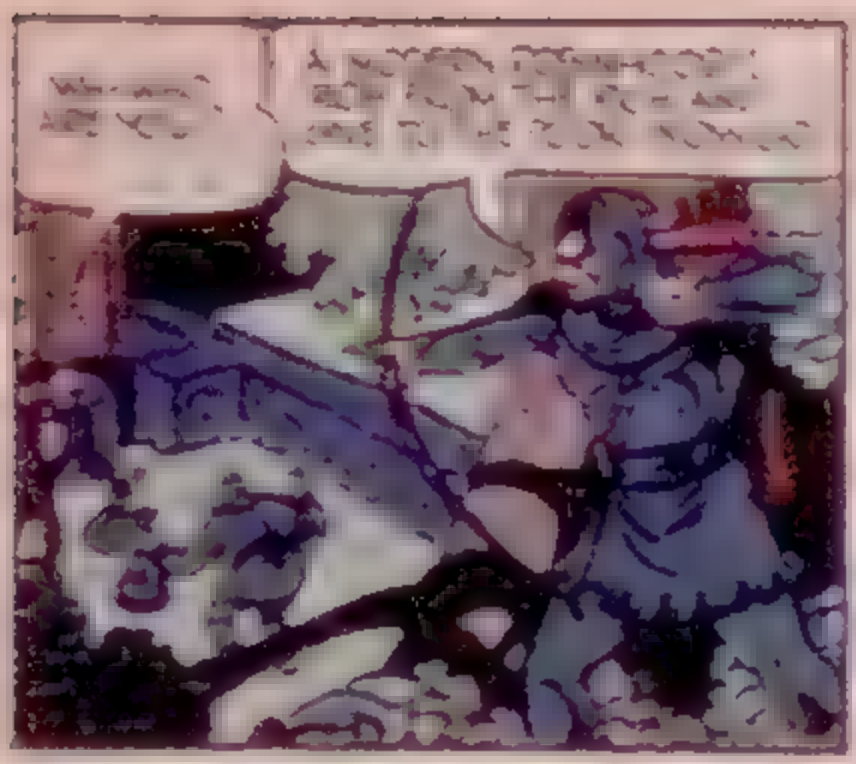
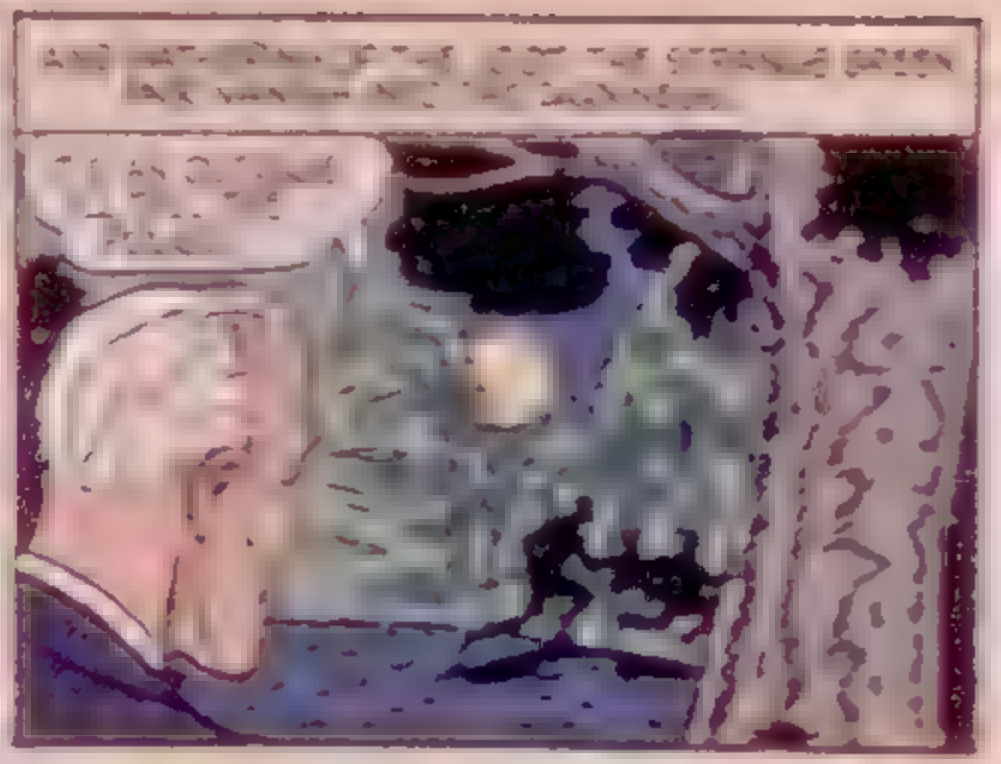
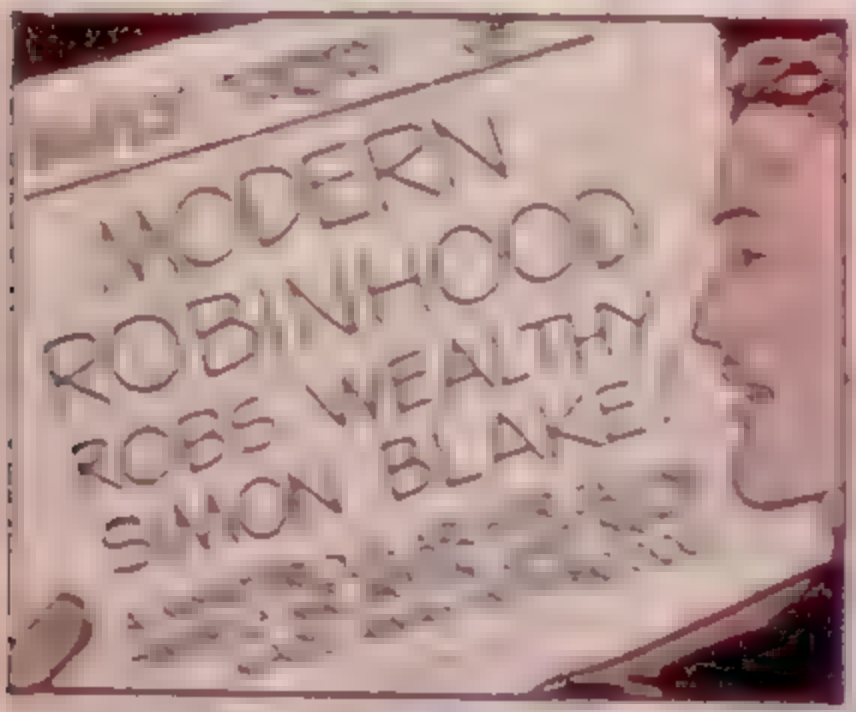
MR. SCARLET ... PRINTS



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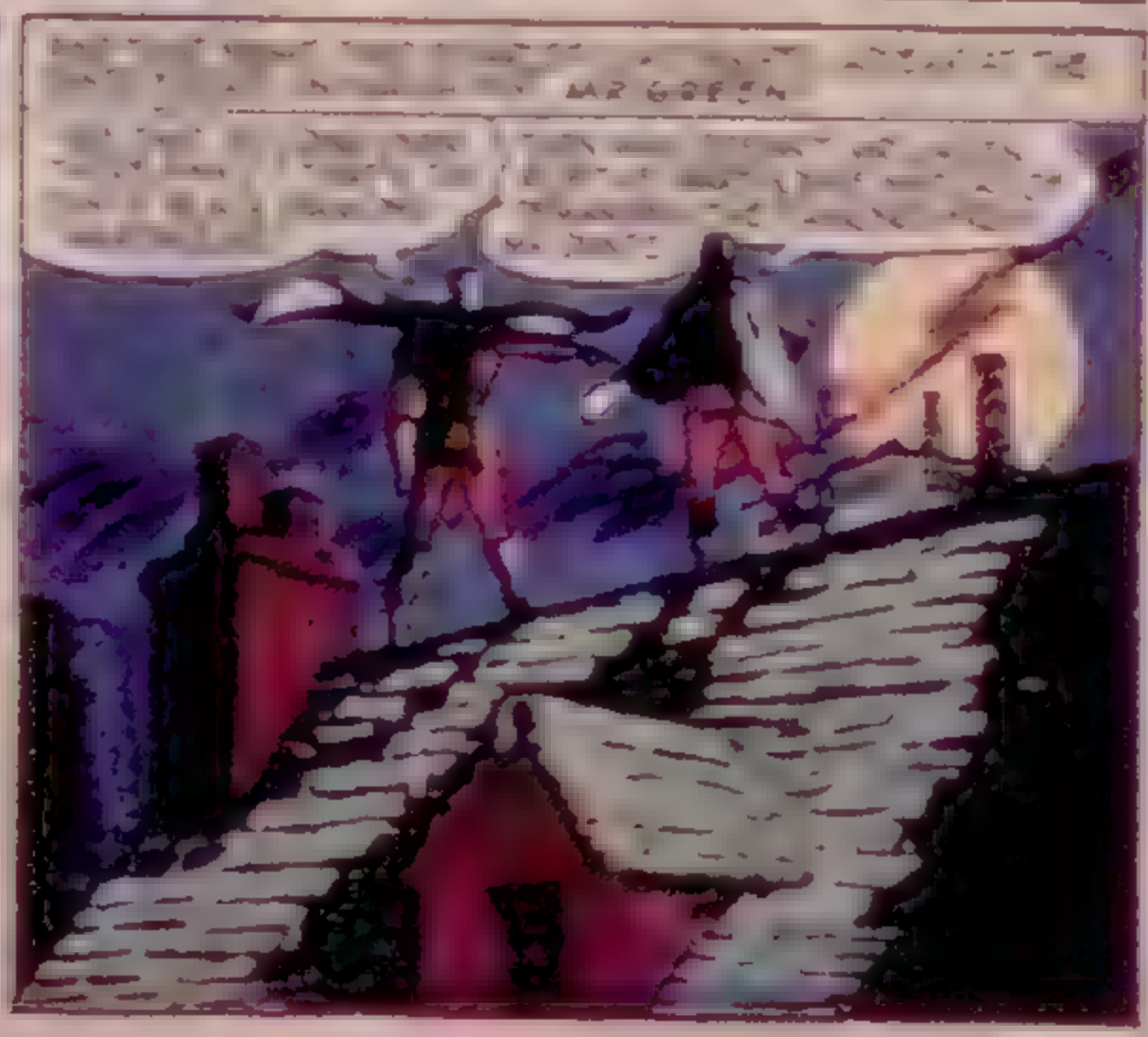

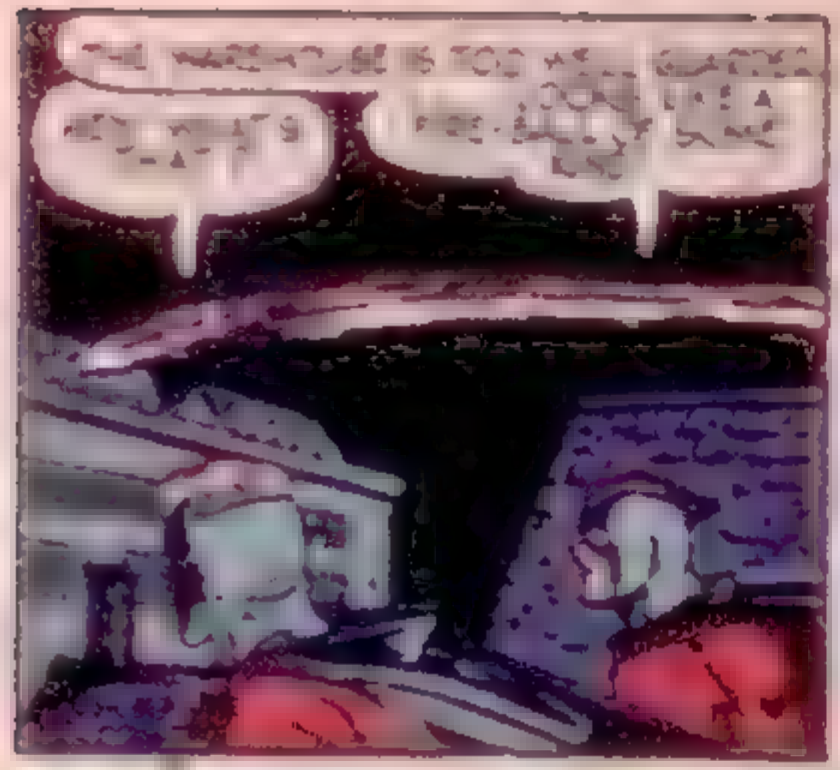

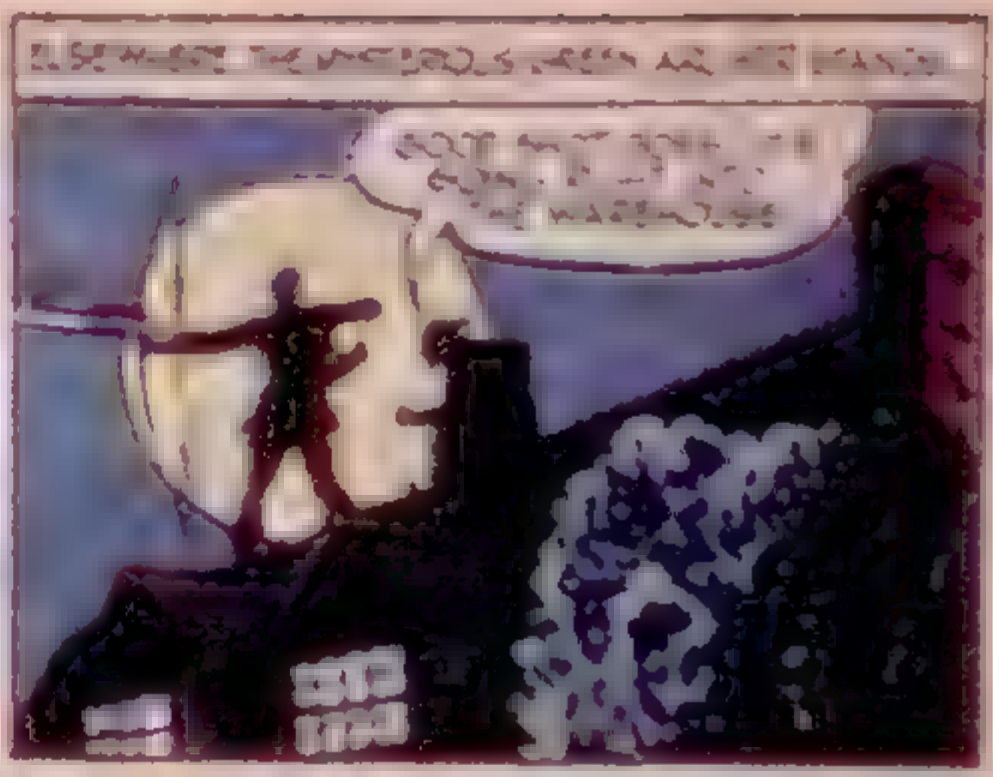

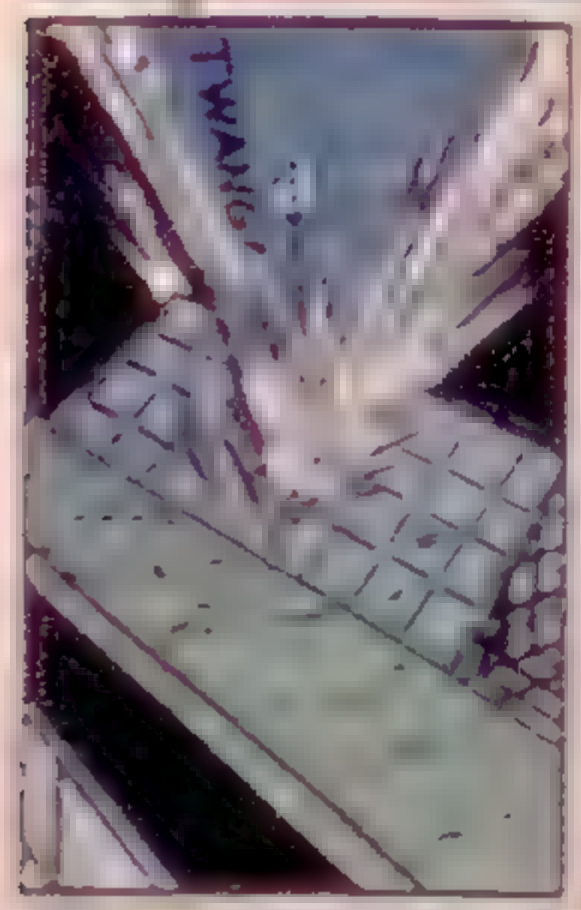
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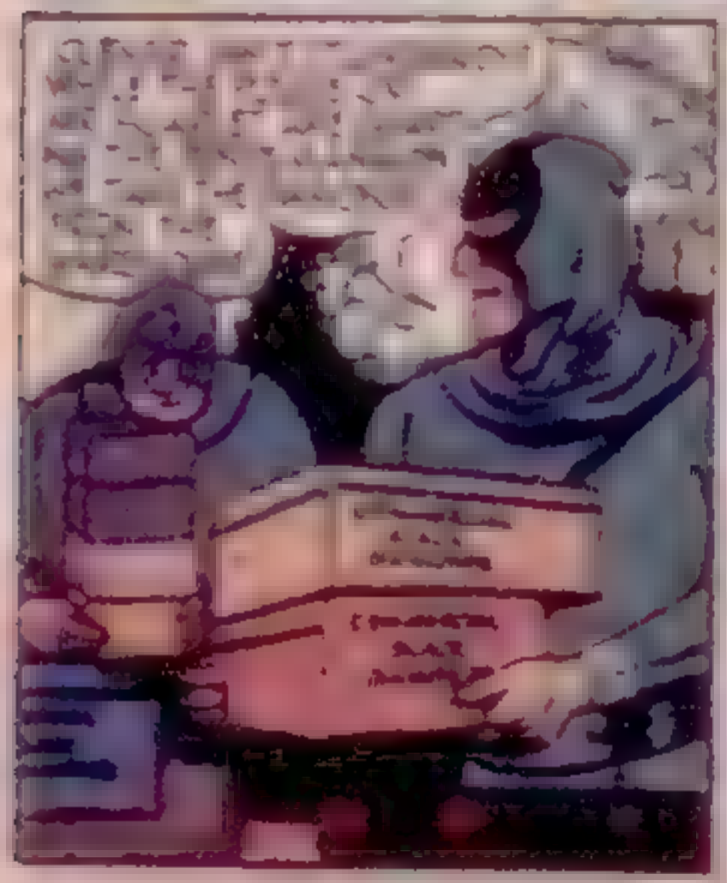

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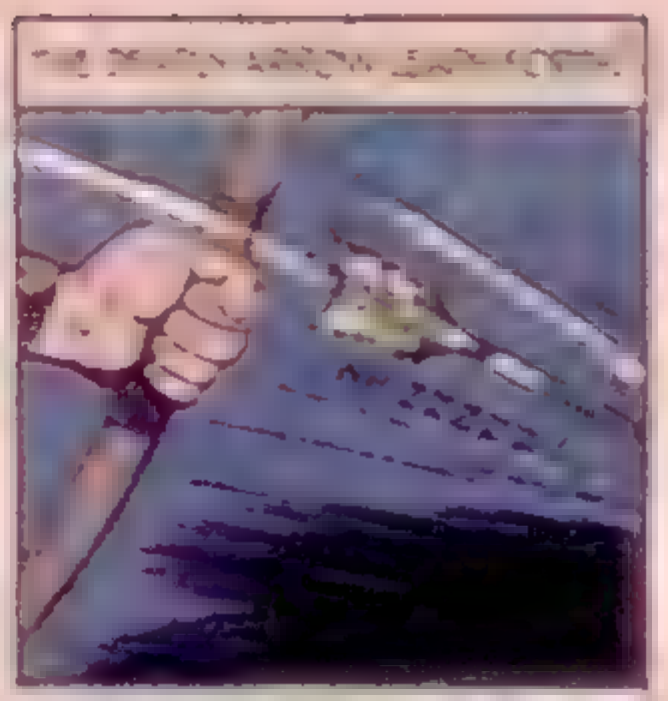

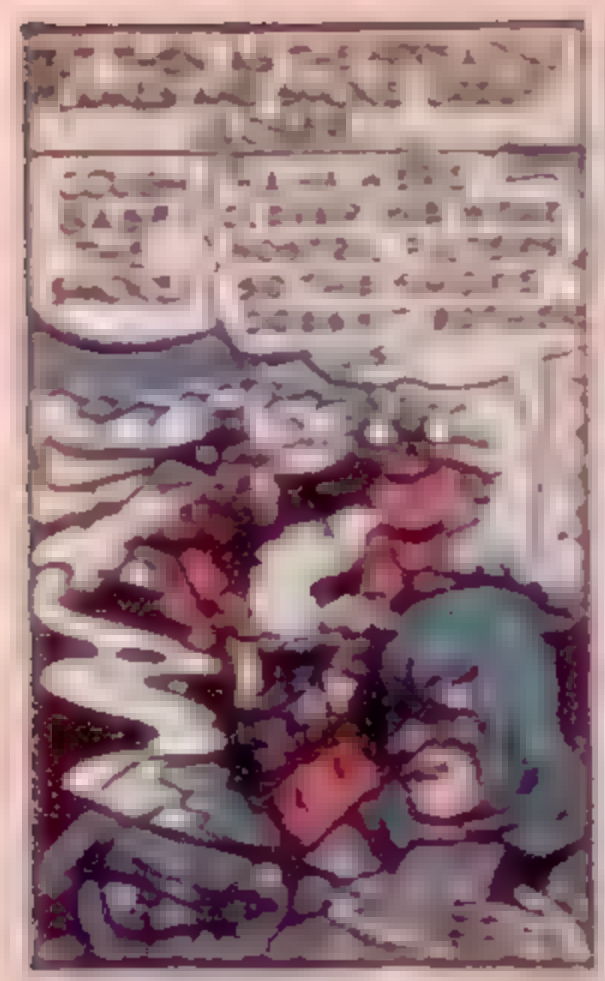

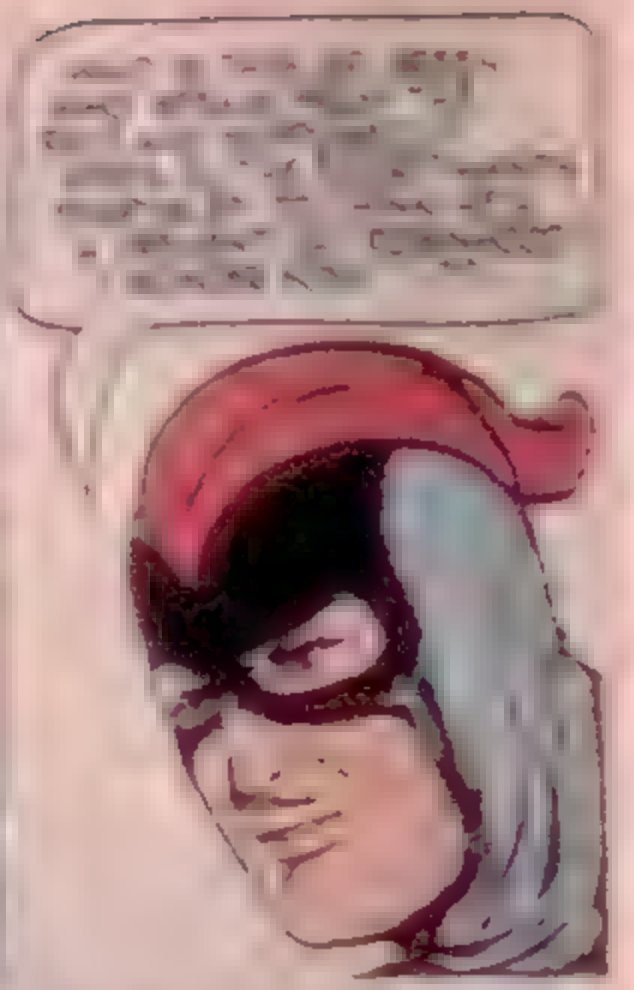

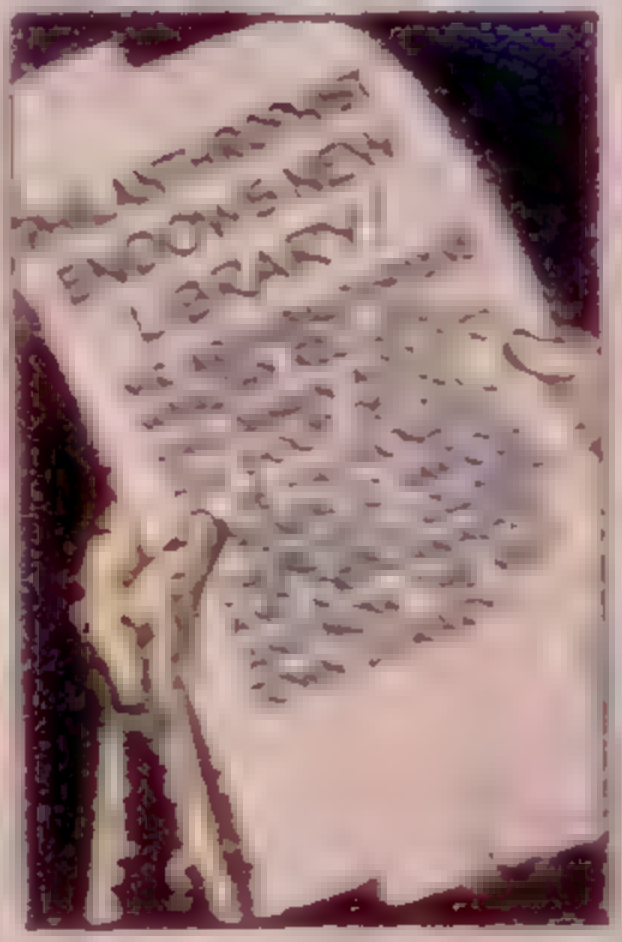

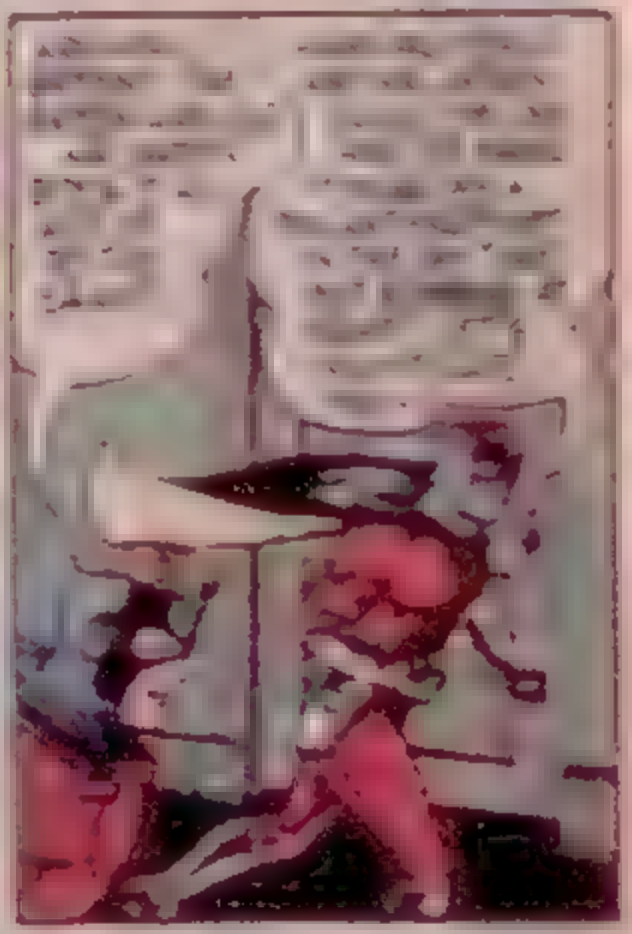

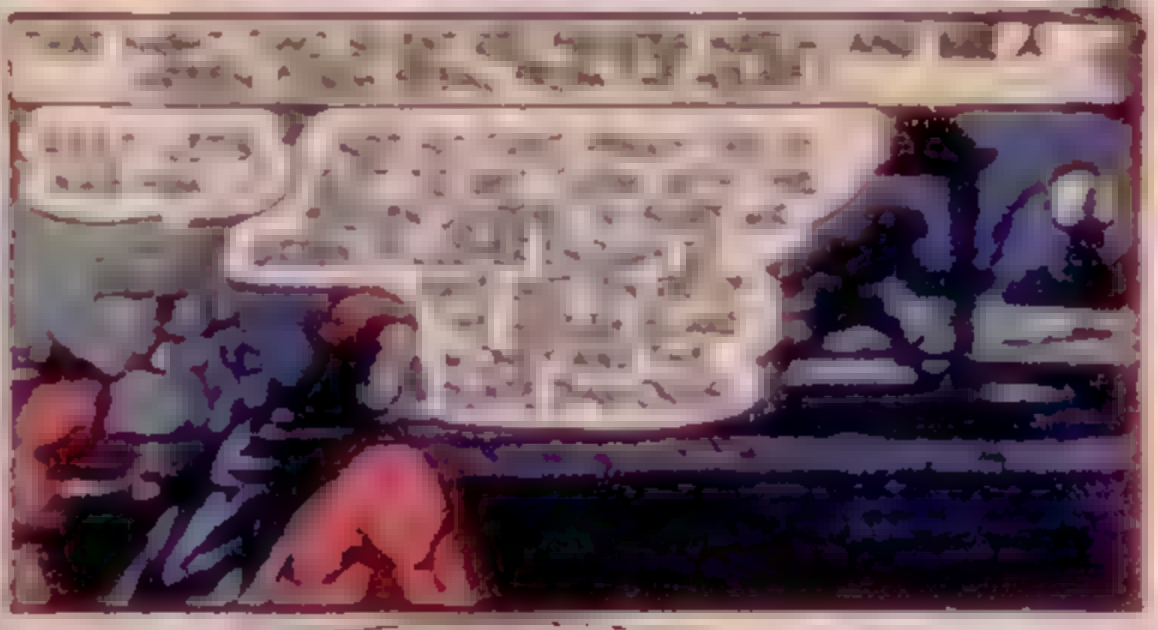

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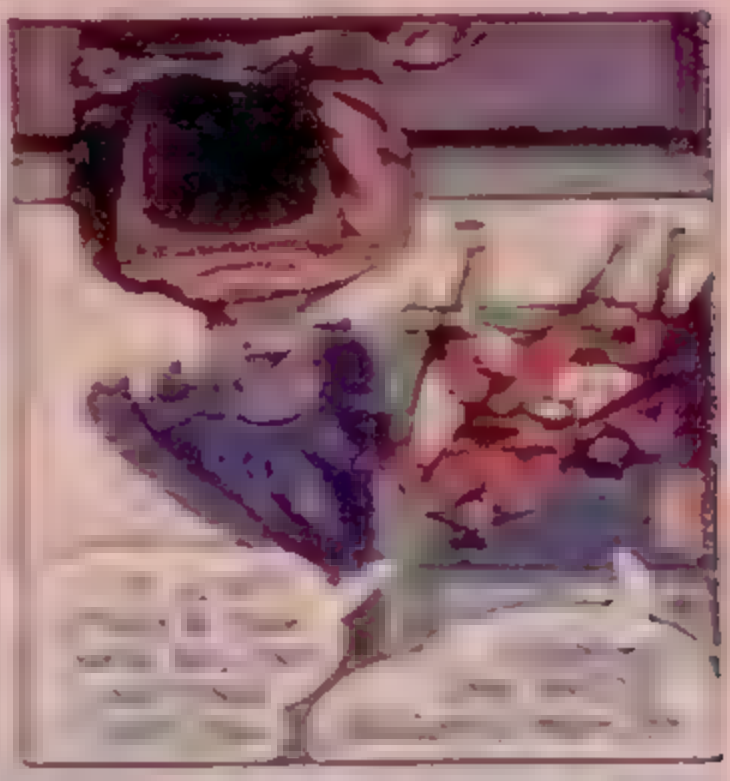

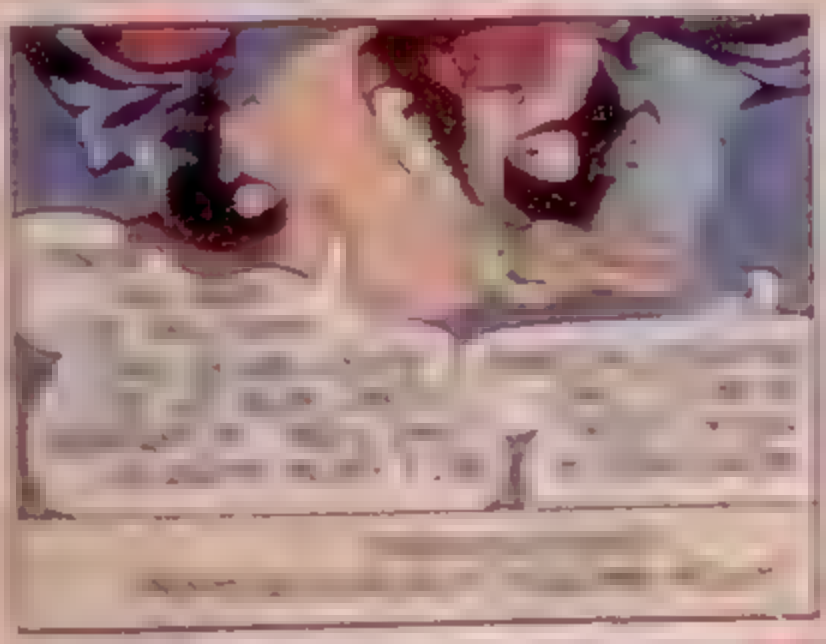

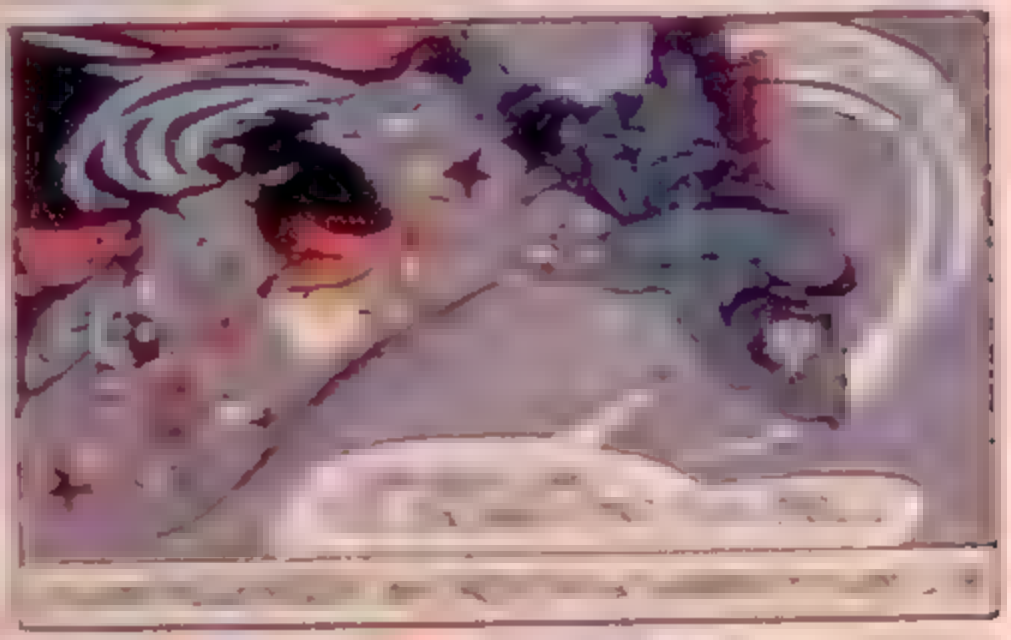

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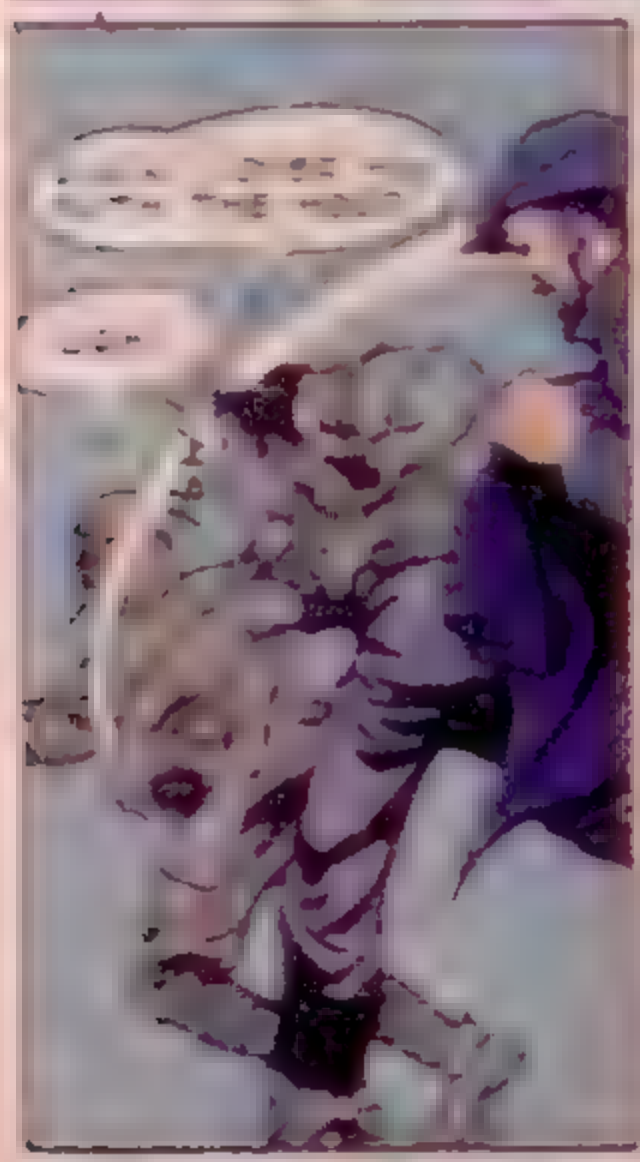

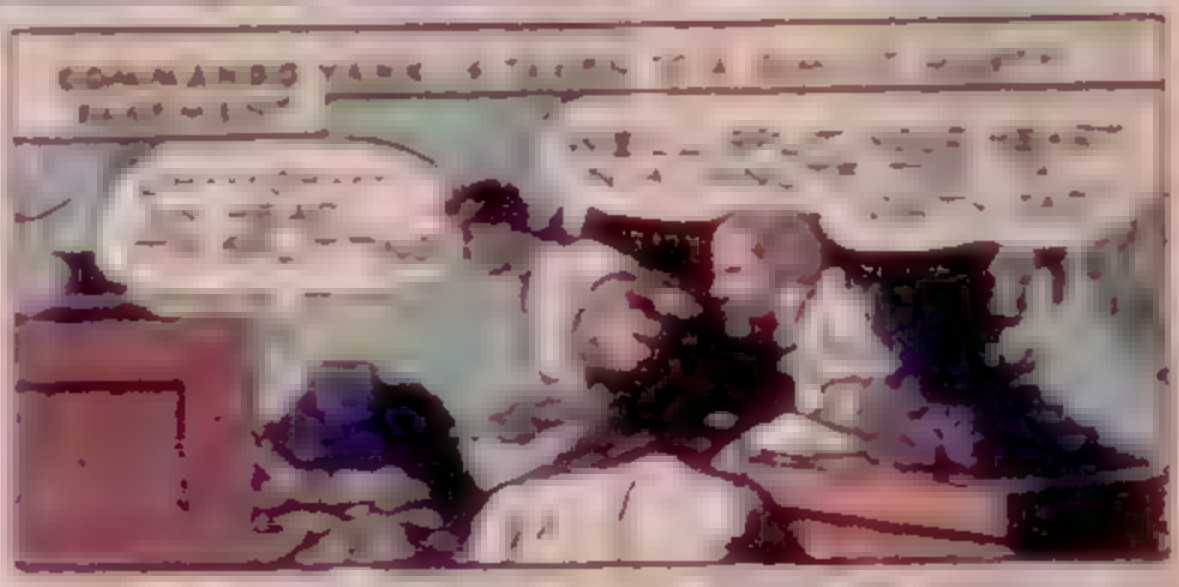

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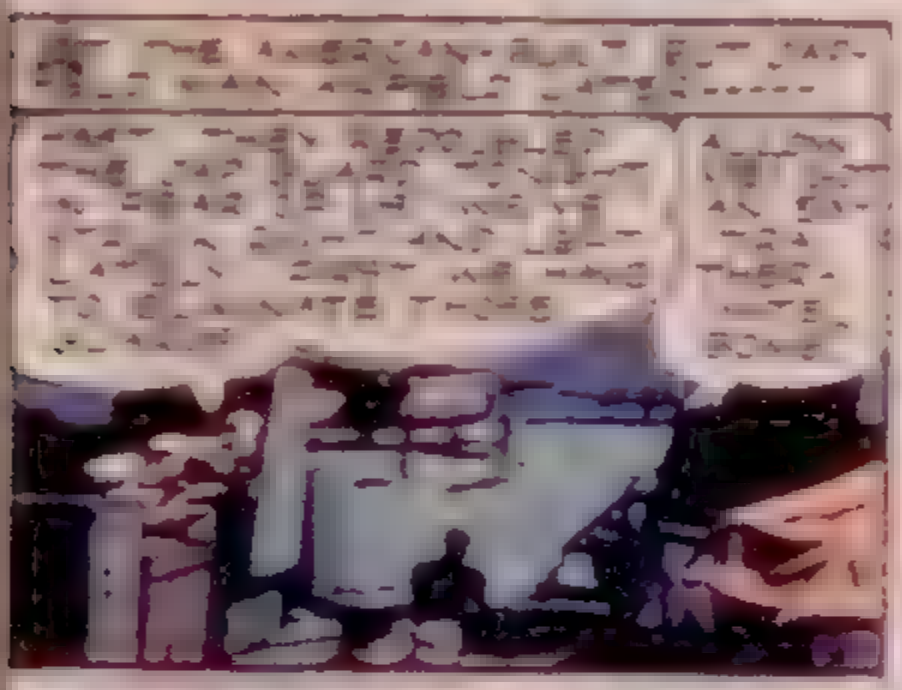

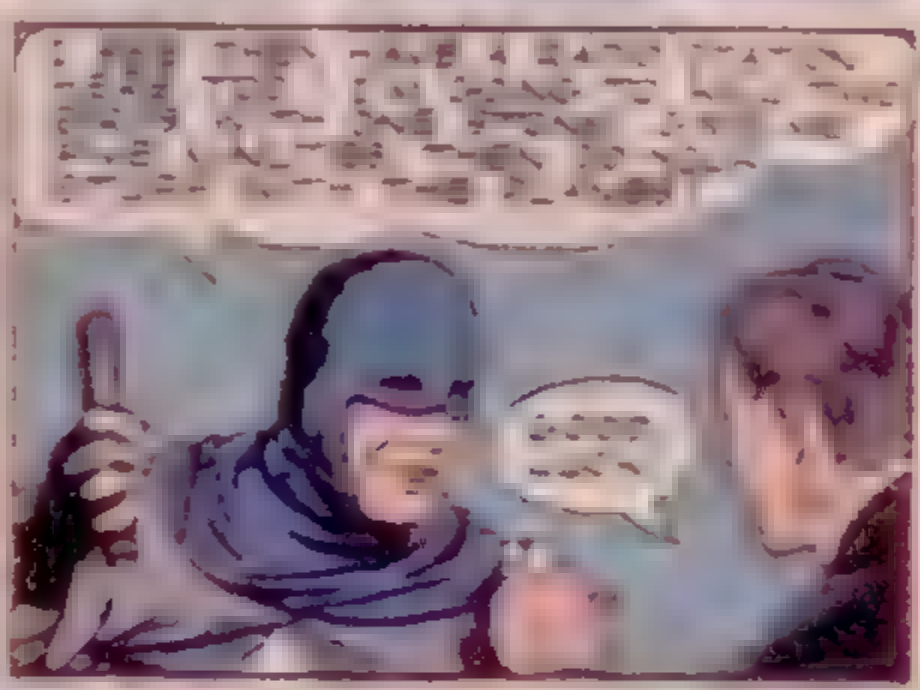

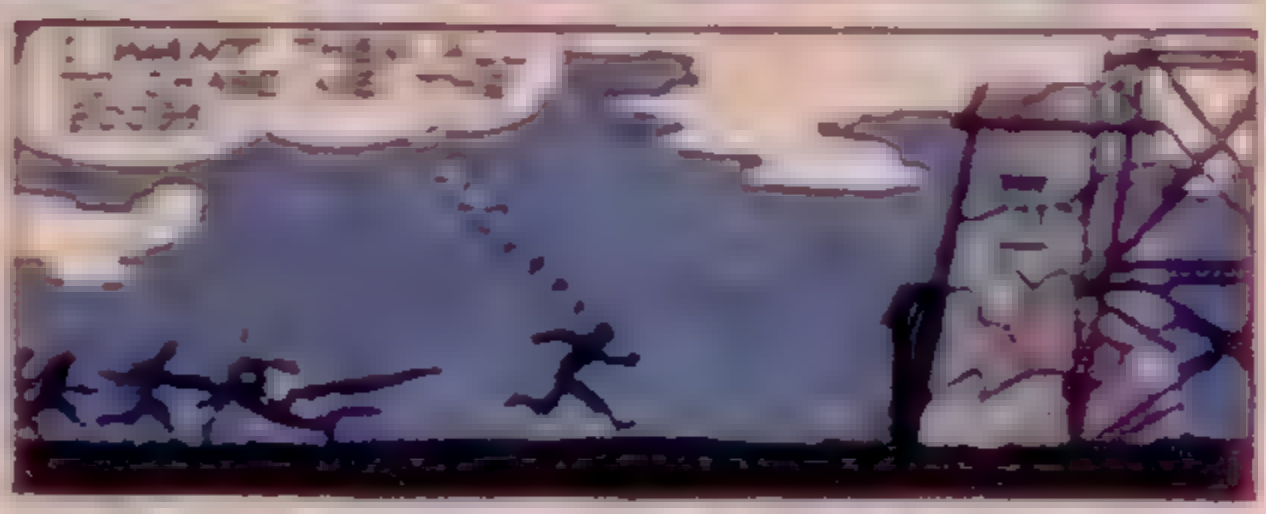

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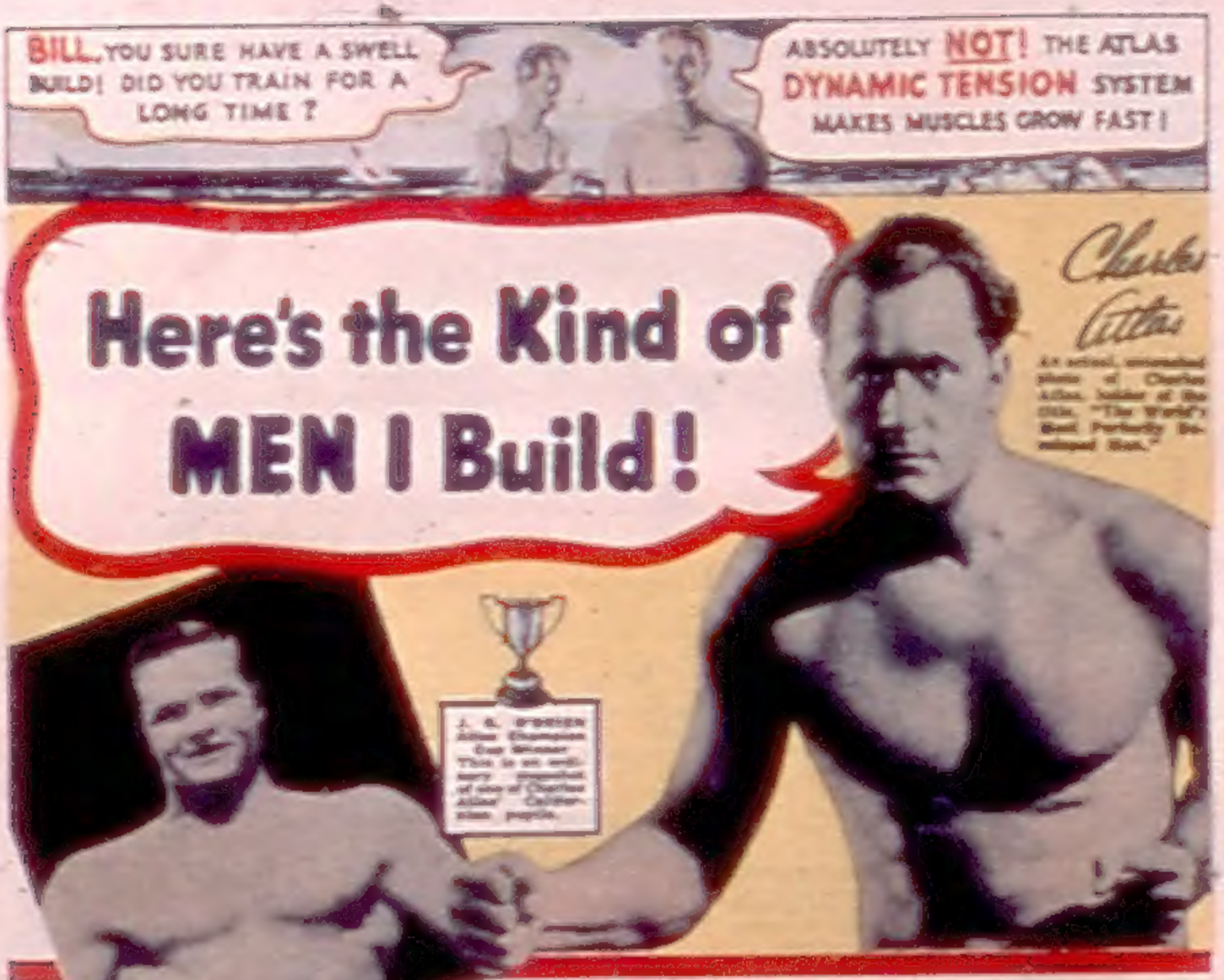
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